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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT. X

Serial Nos.

Part B for August 1939..

SUBJECT.

Representation of Money-lenders of Kg-7 against certain provisions of the Money-lenders Act.

WD 0573—GPB—22,500—12-9.39

B.B. Shankarlal

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Serial No.

From

Messrs Harakchand Baptnah and R.B. Bhavarlall K.G.7

letter dated 11th August 1939 to the Private Secretary to the Dewan

requesting for an interview with the Dewan re the Moneylenders Act.

Dewan's minute on the P.U.D

"Let them see the First Member".

It is stated in the P.U.D that a meeting of the Moneylenders of K.G.7 held on 22.7.39 three gentlemen were deputed to request Government to exempt K.G.7 area from sections 7, 8, 9 and 20 of the Act.

Sections 7 and 8 deal with licensing of moneylenders, Section 9 imposes a duty on a moneylender to keep his accounts in the prescribed manner, in the prescribed language etc.

Section 20 is the general penalty section, providing punishment for contravention of any of the provisions of the Act.

In another file put up, orders have already been passed that the Deputy Commissioners may be consulted as to who all should be subjected to licensing.

Orders have also been passed therein that the other provisions of the Act should be notified as applying to the Whole State.

Section 9 appears absolutely essential if the Act is to work satisfactorily and in view of the orders

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passed in the linked file, that accounts may be kept in any language, is really unobjectionable.

Section 20 which is the general penalty section is necessary for the proper working of the other provisions of the Act.

Submitted for orders.

Law Secretary) 3/8/39

Done 16.8.39

What seems to worry most this class of moneylenders & also the Siddhis & Mukhtars is the licensing provision and the language of accounts.

The licensing provision need not be brought into force immediately & we have called for the views of D.Cs. As regards the language of accounts, there will be no objection to the use of any recognised language (i.e not an uncurrent language or script), provided they give certified copies of extracts to debtors in English or Kannada.

This may be explained if they wait on deputation.

(1st Member) A. 18/8/39 3/8/39

The Hon'ble Member has agreed to see Mr Bapna and Bhavanlall on Wednesday 23rd Aug at 3 P.M.

C.D.G. 21/8

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OFFICE OF THE FIRST ENGINEER TO GOVERNMENT

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Mr 22/8/39

Messrs Bhavanlall & Bapna met the 1st Member & made their representations

The 1st Member directed that the rules be published at least 2 months before they are to come into force which should not be later than 1st April 40 3/8/39 A 23/8

Robertsonpet,
11th August 19[illegible].

From:-

1. H. Harakchand Bapnah,
   Banker,
   Robertsonpet,
   Kolar Gold Fields.

2. R. B. Bhavarlall, M.L.C.,
   Banker,
   Andersonpet,
   Kolar Gold Fields.

To

The Secretary,
to the Dewan of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to the application of the several sections of the Money Lenders Act, a meeting of the money lenders of Kolar Gold Fields, was held on 22nd July, and a resolution was passed deputing Messrs., H.Harakchand Bapnah and R.B. Bhavarlall, to represent the peculiar and special circumstances of Kolar Fields area, and request the Government to be so pleased as to order that Sections 7,8,9 & 20 of the Act be not applied to Kolar Gold Field area, in exercise of the powers of the Government vested under Sub-section 2 of Section 1. We now request to be so pleased as to place this letter before the Dewan and let us know when he would be pleased to grant us an interview therefor.

Thanking you in anticipation,

Yours obediently,
H Harakchand Bapnah
R B Bhavarlall

P.S:-
The copy of the resolution passed in the meeting referred to above is enclosed for favour of perusal and for reference.

Extract of Resolution passed at the meeting held by the Money Lenders of Kolar Gold Fields on 22nd July 1939, at Robertsonpet.

Resolved that Messrs H.Harakchand Bapnah and R.B. Bhavarlall be requested to interview the Dewan and place before him the peculiar and special circumstances of Kolar Gold Fields area and to request him that Sections 7,8,9 & 20 of the Money Lenders Act be made inoperative for this area in exercise of the powers of the Government vested under Sub-section 2 of Section 1 of the Act.

Robertsonpet,
11th August 1939.

From

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Banker,
Robertsonpet,
Kolar Gold Fields.

2 R.B. Bhavarlall, M.L.C.,
Banker,
Andersonpet,
Kolar Gold Fields.

To

The Personal Assistant,
to the 1st Member of Council,
to the Government of Mysore,
B a n g a l o r e.

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Thanking you in anticipation,

Subd for kind orders.
CBG
14/8/39

Yours obediently,
Harakchand Bapnah
R.B.Bhavarlall

Letter sent to Mr Bhavarlall on 14/8/39
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Mr. C. E. NORONHA, M.A.,
Private Secretary.

PRIVATE SECRETARY TO THE DEWAN OF MYSORE

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SECRETARIAT
15. AUG. 1939

Bangalore,
13th August 1939.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 11th instant requesting me to fix up an interview for Mr. Harakchand Bapnah and yourself with the Dewan to make some representations in regard to the operation of the new Money Lenders Act, I am desired to say that you may kindly see the First Member of Council in the matter.

Yours sincerely,
C. E. Noronha

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R.B. Bhaverlall Esq., M.L.C.,
Banker,
Andersonpet.
(K.G.F.)

Seen by personal
1st Member) CE 15/8

3/8/39

Seen 13/8 4/8/39